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) Attorney Docket: C0013

Serial No.: 09/998,510

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) Art Unit: 3752

Filed: November 30, 2001

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) Examiner: Hook, James F.

Title: High Density Fiber Optic Cable Inner Ducts

REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. sec. 1.116  
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 6, 2004, the following faxed amendment(s) and/or remark(s) are submitted. Applicants respectfully request that this reply be entered into the record as a substantive reply to the outstanding Office Action.

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Following please find a Reply to Office Action dated May 6, 2004  
regarding the referenced application.

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